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- 1. EMBASSY NAS NO MEANS OF ESTIMATING GOB EXPENDITURE ON NARCOTIC CONTROL, SINCE BUDGET IS CLASSIFIED, ESPECIALLY THAT PORTION WHICH DEALS WITH POLICE (MINISTRY OF INTERIOR) FUNCTION.
- 2. MAIN BULGARIAN EFFORT IS IN BORDER INTERDICTION OF TRAFFICKERS. BULGARIAN CUSTOMS IN PAST TWO YEARS HAS INCREASED MANPOWER FROM SLIGHTLY OVER 500 OFFICERS TO ABOUT 700. INTERNAL MEASURES BEING TAKEN TO REDUCE SMALL SUPPLY ARE UNKNOWN.
- 3. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE INTERNAL DRUG PROBLEM IS EXTREMELY SMALL. OUT BEST GUESS ON NUMBER OF ADDICTS IS 200-250, ALMOST ALL OF WHOM ARE SUBJECTED TO HSOPITALIZATION. CERTAINLY ADDICTION IS NOT A PROBLEM WHICH REQUIRES SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS BUT IS SIMPLY ABSORBED IN NATIONAL HEALTH BUDGET. TO BEST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF OUR KNOWLEDGE THERE IS NO ANTI-DRUG EDUCATION PRO-

GRAM IN COUNTRY, PROPAGANDA BEING LIMITED TO OCCASIONAL NEWSPAPER ARTICLES CITING THE DANGERS OF DRUG ABUSE AS IT IS PRACTICED IN WESTERN EUROPE AND THE US. HERZ

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